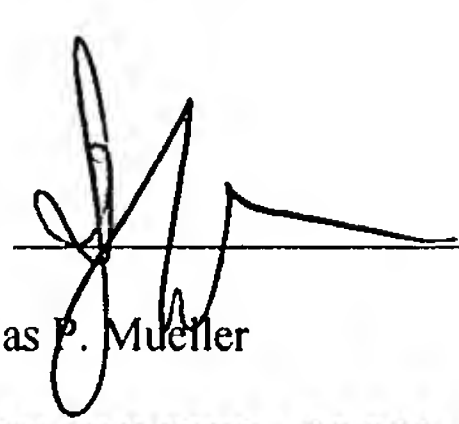


FORM PTO-1390 (REV 10-94)		U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE	
<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 10873.1847USWO  <div style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold; text-align: center;">10/567944</div>	
		U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 C.F.R. 1.5) Unknown	
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP2004/014293	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE September 22, 2004	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED September 24, 2003	
TITLE OF INVENTION ULTRASONIC DIAGNOSTIC APPARATUS (AS AMENDED)			
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US FUKUKITA			
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>FIRST</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li>2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li>3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(I).</li> <li>4. <input type="checkbox"/> A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.</li> <li>5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))           <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been transmitted by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US)</li> </ol> </li> <li>6. <input type="checkbox"/> A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).</li> <li>7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))           <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been transmitted by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.</li> <li>d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.</li> </ol> </li> <li>8. <input type="checkbox"/> A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).</li> <li>9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A signed Oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c) (4)).</li> <li>10. <input type="checkbox"/> A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).</li> </ol>			
<b>Items 11. to 16. below concern document(s) or information included:</b>			
11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98, Form 1449, 2 references.			
12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.			
13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A FIRST preliminary amendment. <input type="checkbox"/> A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.			
14. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.			
15. <input type="checkbox"/> A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.			
16. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: Application Data Sheet (3 pages), 8 sheets of formal drawings, International Publication Page WO 2005/027747, Form PCT/ISA/210, Form PCT/ISA/237, Form PCT/IB/304, Form PCT/IB/308, Communication regarding Figure Publication, 1 Annotated Drawing Sheet, 1 Replacement Drawing Sheet			

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<b>BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492(a) (1)-(5)):</b>					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a) Basic National fee.....\$300				\$300	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> b) Examination fee.....\$200				\$200	
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<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>				<b>\$1000</b>	
Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.					
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<p>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Check(s) in the amount of \$1000 to cover the above fees is enclosed.</p> <p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge the amount of \$ to cover the required filing fee for a large entity to the credit card listed on the enclosed credit card authorization form.</p> <p>c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-3478.</p>					
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<p>SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:          Douglas P. Mueller          Hamre, Schumann, Mueller &amp; Larson, P.C.          P.O. Box 2902-0902          Minneapolis, MN 55402</p>					
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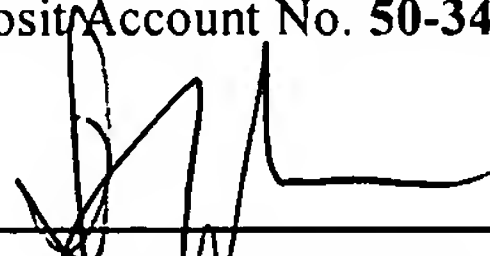
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## CLAIMS AS FILED

Number of Claims Filed	No.	In Excess of	Extra	Rate	Fee
Total Claims	6	20	0	50	0
Independent Claims	1	3	0	200	0
Multiple Dependent Claims Fee					0
Basic Filing Fee					300
Search Fee					500
Examination Fee					200
Utility Application Size Fee	25	100	0	250	0
Total					\$1000

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Dear Commissioner:

In connection with the above-identified application, applicant respectfully requests that Figure 1 be printed on the front page of the published application.

If a telephone conference would be helpful in resolving any issues concerning this communication, please contact Applicants' primary attorney-of record Douglas P. Mueller (Reg. No. 30,300), at (612) 455-3804.

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